

United States Department of Agriculture

Marketing and Regulatory Programs

Agricultural Marketing Service

Washington, DC 20250

Please Note:

New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Appendix 1, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters), and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, <u>all</u> Vendors must also be registered in the CCR, within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

FV-300

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: May 27, 2008

Canned Fruit, Announcement FV-300, Invitation 246

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell canned fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in child nutrition program and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Tuesday, June 3, 2008. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, June 10, 2008. Deliveries are to be made from July 1, 2008 to August 31, 2008.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Canned Cherries

6/#10

17,328 cases

No 8a offers will be made to 8a vendors on this invitation.

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

All invitations with orders for the state of New York, must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton, The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special marking will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes which translates into a connection of https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe? Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.



Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-300, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Canned Fruit dated April 2004, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-300, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by single asterisk.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV300 INVITATION : 246

COMM GROUP : 30 FRUIT, CANNED
COMM TYPE : 40 CHERRIES, RED TART PITTED, CND
PACK SIZE : 60 6/#10 CAN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY		TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)			
DELIVERY PERIOD 07/01/08 - 07/15/08								
001	CRANSTON	RI	TRUCK ONLY	912				
002	BARTOW MOBILE WINTER HAVEN	FL AL FL	TRUCK ONLY	300 250 362				
DELIVERY PERIOD 07/16/08 - 07/31/08								
003	FORT WORTH	ТX		1,824				
004	GRAND PRAIRIE	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,824				
005	HOUSTON	TX		912				
006	EL PASO LUBBOCK	TX TX	TRUCK ONLY	416 496				
007	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	912	*			
800	DES MOINES	IA		912				
DELIVERY PERIOD 08/01/08 - 08/15/08								
009	GRAND PRAIRIE HOUSTON	TX TX	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	456 456				
010	HELENA	MT	TRUCK ONLY	912				
011	PHOENIX	AZ	TRUCK ONLY	1,824				

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014	HOUSTON	ТX		912				
015	BILLINGS CHEYENNE COMMERCE CITY	MT WY CO	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	456 228 228				
016	KENT SPOKANE	WA WA		638 274				
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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION

17,328

Contracting Officer

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